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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE	:	Administrative Action
LICENSE OF	:	
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ELIZABETH ACOSTA	:	CONSENT ORDER OF VOLUNTARY
License #26NR07930500	:	SURRENDER OF LICENSE
	:	
TO PRACTICE NURSING IN	:	
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information indicating that the ability of Elizabeth Acosta ("Respondent") to practice nursing with reasonable skill and safety may be impaired. The information received by the Board raises the issue of whether Respondent is capable of discharging the functions of a nurse in a manner consistent with public health, safety, welfare, and warrants a comprehensive mental health and substance abuse

evaluation under the auspices of the Board's designated intervention program, the Recovery and Monitoring Program (RAMP). Respondent declined an offer to enroll in and participate with RAMP to undergo a comprehensive mental health and substance abuse evaluation, and instead has indicated a willingness to voluntarily surrender her license to practice nursing.

The Board finds that testing, monitoring, evaluation, and treatment are warranted as a condition for continued or reinstated licensure to evaluate whether Respondent's continued practice may jeopardize the safety and welfare of the public pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22(f) and to ensure that Respondent can properly discharge nursing functions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22(e).

The Board having reviewed this matter, the parties desiring to resolve this matter without further proceedings, Respondent having waived any right to a hearing, the Board having determined that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public, and for good cause shown;

IT IS on this 15th day of January, ~~2015~~ 2016

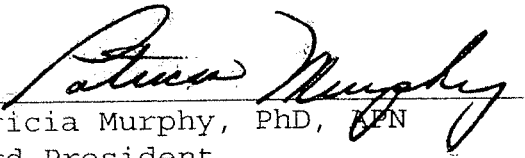
HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

Respondent hereby voluntarily surrenders her license to practice nursing in the State of New Jersey. Respondent shall


not hereafter apply for reinstatement of license unless and until Respondent can demonstrate fitness and competency to practice nursing, has undergone a comprehensive mental health and substance abuse evaluation under the auspices of RAMP, followed the recommendations of the evaluator and RAMP, gained RAMP's support for reinstatement, and has met all other requirements for reinstatement.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:


Patricia Murphy, PhD, RN
Board President

I have read and understand the within Order and consent to the entry of the Order as a matter of public record. I understand this Order has serious professional and legal import, and I have decided to enter into this agreement without legal counsel.


Elizabeth Acosta
License # 26NR07930500